

Schedule of Activities

11:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Live Animal Show. Molly Hogan, Nature of Wildworks. Train Depot
11:30 AM—12:00PM	Channel Islands Live Kelp Dive . Interactive broadcast program takes you on a hike through the kelp forest for a rare glimpse of this seldom-seen underwater world. General Store
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM	Science Talk: Wildlife in the Santa Monica Mountains. Seth Riley, National Park Service wildlife ecologist, discusses the ecology and conservation of wildlife in a fragmented urban landscape. Train Depot
12:30 PM—1:00PM	Channel Islands Live Kelp Dive . Interactive broadcast program takes you on a hike through the kelp forest for a rare glimpse of this seldom-seen underwater world. General Store
1:00 PM – 1:30 PM	Video: Living with Fire - The USGS Southern California Wildfire Risk Project. Train Depot
1:30 PM – 2:30 PM	Live Animal Show. Molly Hogan from Nature of Wildworks. Train Depot
1:30 PM—2:00PM	Channel Islands Live Kelp Dive . Interactive broadcast program takes you on a hike through the kelp forest for a rare glimpse of this seldom-seen underwater world. General Store
2:30 PM – 3:30 PM	Science Talk: Chaparral. Rick Halsey, founder and director of the California Chaparral Institute, gives a brief introduction to chaparral, California's most extensive ecosystem. Train Depot
2:30 PM—3:00PM	Channel Islands Live Kelp Dive . Interactive broadcast program takes you on a hike through the kelp forest for a rare glimpse of this seldom-seen underwater world. General Store
3:30 PM – 4:00 PM	Video: Living with Fire - The USGS Southern California Wildfire Risk Project. Train Depot
3:30 PM—4:00PM	Channel Islands Live Kelp Dive . Interactive broadcast program takes you on a hike through the kelp forest for a rare glimpse of this seldom-seen underwater world. General Store

^{*45-}minute guided hikes depart every 15 minutes from 10:30AM to 3:00PM. Meet at Eucalyptus Grove.

Taking Place Throughout the Day

Over 30 Science Stations to Explore

Visit more than 30 science stations where you can see live reptiles, learn about everything from mollusks to dendrochronology, and meet the many scientists that are conducting research in your local national parks!

Especially for the Youngest Scientists

Visit the hands-on activity tables in the Children's Corner:

The Food Chain Carefully tear apart an owl pellet to discover what it ate for dinner.

How Many Turtles? Learn how scientists sample a population of pond turtles. Try it yourself and try not to get wet!

Nature Journaling Nobody else knows what you see unless you write and illustrate it. Make your own field notebook and start recording your plant and animal observations.

Scientific Classification Animals, animals everywhere! Sort them, classify them, group them, organize them...then take one home!

What Kind of Scientist Are You? Make animal masks and find out who studies these animals that live in the park.

Stream Ecology Transform trash into a magnifying scope and peer into a healthy stream and an unhealthy stream to see what you can find.

Oak Marks Make oak leaf prints and learn about the trees of the Santa Monica Mountains.

Nature Bracelets & Bookmarks Can you remember the names of the plants that live in the park? Create your very own unique bracelet or bookmark to remember them!

Become a Science Fest Jr. Ranger!

Celebrate National Junior Ranger Day by earning a Science Fest Junior Ranger Patch! Stop by the Science Fest Information Booth for more details and to also pick up a Jr. Ranger Activity Guide.

Can you find the Scientist Trading Cards?

While visiting the different Science Stations, see if you can find the scientists with Scientist Trading Cards! Collect them all!

Picnic in the Park

Bring your lunch and enjoy a picnic in the park. Tables will be available behind the Western Town at the Pavilion. Food and beverages will also be available for purchase.